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In accordance with Ikemoto's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R, § 1.56, Ikemoto submits an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) herewith for entry into the prosecution history of Ikemoto's U.S. Patent Application No. 10/086,076. The IDS identifies a reference that was (a) cited by the Japanese Patent Office on November 9, 2004, with respect to the prosecution of a related Japanese patent application and (b) is not already "of record" in Ikemoto's U.S. Patent Application No. 10/086,076.

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The full consideration of the references in their entirety by the Examiner is respectfully requested and encouraged. Also, it is respectfully requested that the references be entered into the record of the present application and that the Examiner place his or her initials in the appropriate area on the enclosed Form 1449, thereby indicating the Examiner's consideration of each of the references.

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